Present were President Carl Patton, Provost Ron Henry, Paul Alberto, John de Castro, Fred Jacobs, Charles Jones, John Newman, and Lyn Thaxton. The minutes of the meeting of March 5th were approved.

Dr. Patton reported concerning the System budget that finding for the HVAC in Art and Design was cut from the budget at the end. Chancellor is concerned about this and plans to put it in next year for the minors list. The campuses in small cities were treated well (ones with legislators from the area). Work on raising funds for the science building continues, with major gift planning going well. The former Beaudry Ford property consists of approximately 6 acres. The Foundation is looking at this with the idea of buying the land. Possibly housing could be relocated there. Dr. Patton said that Dean Kamen, who invented the Segway, spoke on campus about "FIRST", a science education program, with corporate sponsors, which brings high school students to college campuses for a competition.

Dr. Henry commented that Richard Katz was on campus to speak at the Teaching and Learning Technology Symposium. He is the Vice President of Educause and author of the book "Dancing with the Devil."

The first item of Senate business was discussion of administrator's evaluations: Associate Provost Reid Christenberry, Dean Roy Bahl and Dean Janice Griffith. There were also brief follow-up discussions on last year's administrator evaluations: President Carl Patton, Vice President Tom Lewis, Vice President Bob McGinnis, Dean Ahmed Abdelal, Dean Susan Kelley, Dean Sidney Harris and University Librarian Charlene Hurt. The Nominations Report for 2002-2003 Senate Committees was approved. Additional names for the Student Life and Development Committee: John Newman, Karen Loch, Al Baumstart and Marty Singer. Dr. de Castro stated that committees have been caught by the fact that 75% of each committee must be elected senators. This has led to extremely large committees and many committee appointments for faculty. Discussion of this structure needs to be a priority next year.

The Perpetual Calendar forwarded from the Committee on Admissions and Standards was discussed. It will need to be "tweaked" each year to see what possible problems might exist. An example would be the year which ends on December 21st, therefore giving no time to process grades, which in turn would effect financial aid, and so on. It was recommended that it go forward for review, with two friendly amendments: 1. That there be two days of staff time after the end of exams each semester, and 2. That the calendar be reviewed each year. This passed unanimously. The Policy on Disruptive Student Behavior from the Committee on Faculty Affairs was also approved. It was determined that the Motions on Health and Traffic Issues from the Committee on Planning and Development should go directly to FACP.

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